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Methyl parathion: notification of final regulatory action

Note by the Secretariat

I. Introduction

1. In accordance with paragraph 5 of Article 5 of the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade, the Secretariat had previously received seven notifications of final regulatory action for methyl parathion that meet the requirements of Annex I to the Convention from Parties in the following four prior informed consent regions:

(a) Africa: Gambia[1] and Côte d'Ivoire[2] (pesticide);

(b) Asia: Japan (pesticide);[3]

(c) Europe: European Community (pesticide);[3]

(d) Latin America and the Caribbean: Panama,[4] Brazil[2] and El Salvador[2] (pesticide).

2. At its first meeting the Chemical Review Committee reviewed the notifications and concluded that only the one from the European Community met the criteria set out in Annex II to the Convention. The notification from the European Community and the rationale for the conclusion by the Committee are set out in document UNEP/FAO/RC/CRC.14/INF/12.

3. The Secretariat has since received an additional notification of final regulatory action for methyl parathion that meets the requirements of Annex I from the Latin America and the Caribbean prior informed consent region: Panama (pesticide).[4]

4. The notification from Panama is set out in the annex to the present note. Supporting documentation provided by Panama is set out in document UNEP/FAO/RC/CRC.14/INF/11.

II. Proposed action

5. The Committee may wish:

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* UNEP/FAO/RC/CRC.14/1.

[1] See PIC Circular XIX, June 2004.

[2] See PIC Circular XX, December 2004.

[3] See PIC Circular XVIII, December 2003.

[4] See PIC Circular XLVII, June 2018.

(a) To review the information provided in the notification and supporting documentation from Panama related to methyl parathion in accordance with the criteria set out in Annex II to the Convention;

(b) If it concludes that the notification meets the criteria set out in Annex II to the Convention, to recommend to the Conference of the Parties that the chemical in question be made subject to the prior informed consent procedure and, accordingly, be listed in Annex III to the Convention, and to agree on a workplan for the preparation of a draft decision guidance document on methyl parathion.

Annex

Notification of final regulatory action for methyl parathion in the pesticide category submitted by Panama